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and we're reducing that from \$45 million to about \$22 million, so that's the scale of the reserve fund that we're dealing with today. But in 1999 and '98, we took \$40 million out for the income tax cut, to help with that, and we took, for the temporary sales tax cut that year, another \$80 million out. So in that year alone, we took out \$120 million out of the rainy day fund. Then the next transfer in '01-02, when we reduced the General Fund levy limitation for school districts from \$1.10 to \$1.00, we used \$35 million to assist in that process. So now we're up to \$155 million that we've taken out in the last three or four years. And then finally, the last two that are underlined, property tax relief you'll see down there and relief to property taxpayers, both property tax items, another \$35 million. That's a little more complicated but basically those are the transfers. And when I talked to the Fiscal staff about this, I think what they told me was that the total amount transferred out for property tax relief or other kinds of tax relief was about \$215 million. You know, if we could just fight that battle in the good times, of keeping reserve monies in there, that somehow we could restrain ourselves and restrain Governors from draining that fund, things wouldn't be fixed right now but they'd sure be a lot easier. We wouldn't be talking about the Remedial Cash Fund, we wouldn't be talking about a lot of these cash transfers. There are a lot of problems we could have avoided. And so I'm going to encourage the Appropriations Committee to try to think of mechanisms that will keep a tighter hold on that rainy day fund. And, you know, it's a good time to remember...I suppose all this is throwing dust to the wind because we'll all be gone with term limits in four years or six, but surely this is a lesson to us about spending money out of that rainy day fund. You know, when it was at 150, 160, 170 million dollars it looked like a lot of money, but how fast it goes. How fast it goes when those revenue growths turn around and are small instead of large. So I hope we can do better next time around, but I thought you might be interested in those facts. Thank you.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN:      Senator Wehrbein, you're recognized to close on advancement.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN:      Mr. Speaker, members, thank you.      I think